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1. FOLLOWING RESPONSES KEYED TO NUMBERED PARAS REFTEL:

(1) PARA 8. - NON-USE OF FORCE (NUF). NUF NOT ON AGENDA, AND WE NOT CERTAIN UNDER WHAT ITEM IT WOULD BE RAISED, THOUGH PRESUMABLY THIS WOULD BE IN FIRST COMMITTEE IN CONNECTION DISARMAMENT. POSSIBLY SOVIETS MAY RE-INTRODUCE ITEM, OR MAY (PERHAPS TOGETHER WITH OTHERS) PROPOSE NEW RESOLUTION LINKING NUF IN SOME FASHION TO US-USSR AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR (PNW) OF JUNE 1973; WE SEEK TO AVOID ANY SUCH CONNECTION.

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(2) PARA 11. - AFRICAN ISSUES.

(A) INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION OF LIBERATION MOVEMENT REPRESENTATIVES MAY BE DEFINED AS APPEARING BEFORE AND SPEAKING AT UNGA COMMITTEE MEETINGS AS PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS ON AD HOC BASIS. IN 1972 US VOTED AGAINST FOURTH COMMITTEE RESOLUTION, WHICH PASSED 78-13-16, TO ACCORD OBSERVER STATUS IN FOURTH COMMITTEE TO LIBERATION MOVEMENT REPRESENTATIVES. IN EXPLANATION OF VOTE, WE STATED THERE NO PRECEDENT FOR GRANTING OBSERVER STATUS TO NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, AND

SUCH REPRESENTATIVES ARE ABLE AS PETITIONERS TO RECEIVE FULL HEARING OF COMMITTEE. WE OBJECT TO APPEARANCE OF LIBERATION MOVEMENT REPRESENTATIVES BEFORE PLENARY SESSIONS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON GROUNDS THEY CAN RECEIVE FULL HEARING IN FOURTH COMMITTEE, AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS NO PROVISION IN RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR SUCH REPRESENTATIVES TO BE HEARD.

(B) WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO WITNESSES BEING HEARD IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGED PORTUGUESE MASSACRES.

(3) PARA 13. FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. DOLLAR DEVALUATION AND DEPRECIATION HAS HAD A SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT ON MOST UN AGENCY BUDGETS. ACCORDINGLY, THERE DISCUSSION ABOUT (A) BUDGET DENOMINATING IN OTHER CURRENCIES AND (B) PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS PARTLY IN DOLLARS AND PARTLY IN CURRENCY IN WHICH PORTION OF EXPENDITURES MADE. ASSUMING DOLLAR CONTINUES STEADY OR STRENGTHENS, THIS ISSUE UNLIKELY BE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED BY UNGA. HOWEVER, SHOULD DOLLAR WORSEN, THERE MAY BE EFFORTS BY GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES TO SEEK ALTERNATIVES TO DOLLAR TO GUARD AGAINST FURTHER BUDGETARY LOSSES.

(4) OTHER FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

(A) REGARDING VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO RESOLVE UN LIQUIDITY PROBLEM, JAPAN HAS OFFERED DOLS 10 MILLION, AND WE BELIEVE SOME MIDDLE EASTERN OIL STATES HAVE PLEDGED SMALLER AMOUNTS.
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(B) U.S. SUPPORTS CONCEPT OF BIENNIAL PROGRAM BUDGET, WHICH WE HOPE WILL DEVELOP INTO TOOL FOR IMPROVED EVALUATION OF UN EXPENDITURES. RUSH

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